

BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET

HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER

AGENDA REVIEW	11/13/13
BOARD MEETING	12/03/13
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	All SD
DEPARTMENT	Mental Health (MH)
SUBJECT	Approval to extend a Sole Source Services Agreement with Mental Health Advocacy Services, Inc. (MHAS) for the remaining six months of FY 2013-14.
PROGRAM	MHAS provides benefits establishment assistance and advocacy services for both the severely and persistently mentally ill adults and children with Special Education needs.
DEADLINES	None
COST & FUNDING	Total cost of the contract extension - \$202,450, fully funded with Sales Tax Realignment revenue.
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	Delegated authority to MH Director to execute an Amendment with MHAS to extend the contract for the period, on a month-to-month basis, beginning January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2014.
SUMMARY/ ISSUES (Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns. Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note changes to the contract term.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board approval of the monthly extensions will enable MHAS to continue providing essential benefit establishment assistance and advocacy services without interruption for both the severely and persistently mentally ill adults, and children with Special Education needs. • MHAS submitted a proposal for the Benefits Establishment Assistance and Advocacy Services RFP. However, MHAS was not the successful proposer providing adequate responses to the RFP. On November 13, 2012, a debriefing was conducted with MHAS. After the debriefing, MHAS requested the next stage of the protest process, Proposed Contractor Selection Review, which is currently in progress. • As DMH proceeds with completion of the RFP process, approval is requested from your Board to authorize month-to-month extensions from January 1, 2014, through June 30, 2014, with MHAS to provide for a continuation of services during the final stages of the RFP appeal process.
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